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SUBJ: MID-AMERICA TRADE AND INVESTMENT MISSION

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1. TOUR OF IMPORTANT MID-AMERICA TRADE AND INVESTMENT
MISSION HAS HAD SOME PROBLEMS SO FAR AS REPORTED REFS
C AND D. WE HOPE TO OVERCOME SUCH PROBLEMS DURING DAMASCUS
VISIT, BUT AS WE HAVE UNDERLINED IN REFS A AND B, MID-
AMERICA IS NOT MAKING OUR TASK ANY EASIER.

2. SUB-MINIMAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS DURING DAMASCUS STOP
MIGHT BE OVERCOME OR AT LEAST AMELIORATED WITH MESSAGE FROM
DEPUTY SECRETARY INGERSOLL TO JIM INGERSOLL OF BORG-WARNER,
WHO, IN TURN, MIGHT BE ABLE TO CONVINCE MORE MEMBERS OF
MISSION TO MAKE DAMASCUS STOP. COMMERCIAL AND POLITICAL
POINTS WE HAVE MADE IN REFS A AND B COULD PROVIDE BASIS FOR
SUCH MESSAGES FROM DEPUTY SECRETARY.

3. CALL FROM NEA/ARN TO THOMAS MINER ASSOCIATES IN
CHICAGO TO PASS OUR CONCERNS ON TO MINER AND BRIGGS,
BOTH SUBSTANTIVE AND LOGISTICAL, MIGHT ALSO BE
TRIED.
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